I support the proposal to drop the code requirement for Technician with code and for General licencees, while retaining the 5 wpm requirement for the Extra class license. I believe this is the best and most reasonable compromise.

I do not support the proposal to eliminate same day test re-taking.

details:
1) The Extra class license holder should be able to show leadership and be teachers for the other licensees. Therefore, an Extra class operator should be able to demonstrate basic competence in all Amateur modes including the ablity to answer questions pertaining to setting up a home brew digital interface, show an understanding of soundcards, be able to explain the difference between true RTTY and sound card RTTY and be able to demonstrate basic knowledge of Morse Code.
2) I also feel that Technicians should be given limited voice data and cw practice frequencies such as those proposed in RM-10805. This would give all operators in the Amateur Service access to all the frequencies typically used during emergencies and would facilitate more efficient deployment of radio operators during emergencies.
Thank you.